

Ck No. 2007/196934/23 VAT No: 4030265740 **Physical Address**: 49 3rd Avenue, Highlands North, 2192 **Postal Address**: P O Box 2363, Highlands North, 2037

Tel: 011 4401817 Fax: 086 607 9841

Contact Person: Judith Alford, Cell: 076 876 2672, Email: judy@mokgope.co.za

Dear all,

Thank you for attending the public meeting on 01<sup>th</sup> August 2014

We would like to draw your attention that these minutes were drawn from notes taken from the Public Meeting; please provide corrections / additions if applicable.

We would like to advise that while utmost care was taken to record your comments accurately and faithfully, there may be some discrepancies between what has been written in the minutes that follow and what was actually said. We apologise for this and request that you contact us should you wish to have something changed.

Many thanks for your participation at the meeting, as well as for your understanding regarding the minutes.

Regards

Judith Alford

Mokgope Consulting cc

Cell: 076 876 2672



Ck No. 2007/196934/23 VAT No: 4030265740 **Physical Address**: 49 3rd Avenue, Highlands North, 2192 **Postal Address**: P O Box 2363, Highlands North, 2037

Tel: 011 4401817 Fax: 086 607 9841

Contact Person: Judith Alford, Cell: 076 876 2672, Email: judy@mokgope.co.za

## Proposed "Helios-Juno" 765kV Transmission Power line & Substations Upgrade, Northern Cape Province

NEAS Ref: DEA/EIA/0001558/2012 DEA Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/439

# Meeting with I&APs held at 10h00 on 01<sup>th</sup> August 2014 at Matzikama Training Room, Vredendal

#### **Attendees:**

Judith	Alford	JA	Mokgope Consulting
Victoria	Somo	VS	Mokgope Consulting
Bruce	Sebolai	BS	Mokgope Consulting
Lerato	Mokgwatlheng	LM	Eskom
Wimpie	Henning	WH	Eskom
Linda	Haarhoff	LH	Eskom
W	Hornimann	WHC	CapeNature
Haunco	Mostut	HM	Plaas Eienaar
Pierre	Van Heerden	PVH	Leo + Landbou

# Item Item Description Response / Comment No

1. **JA:** Welcome and Introduction

2. **JA:** Presentation

### 3. **DISCUSSION**

die PVH: Ek verteenwoordig landbou gemeenskap van die Vredendal distrik. Ons behoefte is dat julle die lyne of lyn identifiseer en die roete sal vol net vir ons inlig watter boere in die verban sal bevoordeel of benadeel word. Dit sal die taak vergemaaklik om al die boere bymekaar te kry wat geidentifiseer word waar die lyn beweeg om sekere aspekete met hulle bespreek volgens julle veriestes soos onder andere vergoding en wetgewing. Dit sal ons as plaas gemeenskal die gemoedrus verseker.

(I represent the agricultural community in Vredendal area. Please provide us with the

**JA:** We will send you the required information. This will include the I&APs register a map particularly showing the farms crossed by the final route chosen, as this would make it clearer for your understanding. Thank you.

### **Response / Comment**

identified line and particularly the farmers that will be affected by the line. This will help in mobilizing the farmers to meet together to discuss compensation and the legal procedures to ensure peace of mind for all farmers affected by the route).

**WH:** Van Helios tot by Perseus verskil die boere se behoefte.

(The needs of the farmers differ from Helios to Perseus substation.)

**PVH:** Ons landbou vereniging gaan tot by die grense van die Noordkaap.

(Our agricultural union covers this region to the boundaries of the Northern Cape province).

WHC: Julle kan by die Department of Landbou van die Wes Kaap alle inligting van plase in die Vredendal distrik verkry en hulle administrasie is baie behulp saam en produktief.

(You may consult the Western Cape Department of Agriculture for farmers' information).

WHC: I would like to highlight that in the Scoping Report the top corridor was initially named Corridor 1 and the bottom corridor was named Corridor 3. In this report, the corridor names are vice versa. I just want to bring to your attention that in the scoping phase we provided comments that we preferred Corridor 3, meaning the blue line. The Draft EIA report states that CapeNature prefer Corridor 1, which to our understanding is the Top green corridor. We need to be clear on the final labeling of the routes particularly the route we prefer, which is the blue corridor with a possibility of connecting to Corridor 2.

WHC: CapeNature would recommend that the blue line be deviated away from the property near the Varsch river area. The existing line passes right across the property which is a highly sensitive area.

**WHC:** I would like clarity on the width of the construction servitude. Is it 18m of 80m?

**WH:** Verteenwoordig u sekere gedeelte van die area van Vredendal of die hele Vredendal? (Do you only present a certain portion of Vredendal or the whole area?)

**WH:** Dankie ons sal gebruik maak van hulle inligting.

(Thank you, we will make use of the information provided by the Agricultural Department).

LM: Initially the Helios-Juno section labeling of the corridors was different from the rest of the Northern Alignment sections. We needed the labeling of all corridors from Juno all the way to Perseus to be the same. Hence in the Helios-Juno map, we had to change the top green corridor to be named Corridor 3 and the bottom blue corridor to be named Corridor 1 and this has been confirmed in the EIA phase.

**LM:** We are aware of that area. That is why we have particularly increased the corridor to 4km in that portion to accommodate for the deviation, of which we are not exactly certain where CapeNature would suggest the alignment (80m servitude) to be.

**WH:** Please indicate the exact deviation points and provide them to us.

**WH:** It is 80m servitude. Nonetheless we have applied for an authorisation for a 2km corridor.

Item No	Item Description	Response / Comment
	WHC: Has Eskom finalised which type of towers they are going to use for the construction of the line?	The reason being that it would be less restricted to allow for realignment of a line on 2km width than on an 80m width.  JA: Not at this stage of the EIA process. The choosing of the towers would probably be during the planning stage.  WH: It would be after the negotiation process of having finalised the alignment of the route with property owners.
		<b>LH:</b> Furthermore, the designs and finalizing of the towers will be undertaken in Joburg and not in this area. The terrain and land use of the area will also dictate which tower type is more appropriate.
	<b>WHC:</b> Just to confirm, is the final chosen corridor the blue line?	<b>JA:</b> It is along the existing line mostly along the blue line. However about 28km from Helios substation the existing line is along the pink corridor.
4	Meeting declared closed.	